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Procurement of Station Wagon for Proposed Cyprus Station

The following considerations are offered in support of the attached requisition for one station wagon for the monitoring station under construction near [] Cyprus.

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1. Radio monitoring is necessarily conducted at an isolated spot and the location near Kyrenia was selected for this reason. Operations will be conducted around the clock, and it will be necessary for employees to report for duty on shifts at approximately 8 hour intervals.
2. The proposed site is approximately two miles from the nearest housing or public transportation. Public transportation on Cyprus, except for relatively expensive taxis, is completely inadequate in any case.
3. With the exception of a few classified employees, the members of the staff, numbering approximately 65, will be drawn from local recruitment and foreign nationals imported from Egypt and paid according to a wage schedule completely disproportionate to the earnings of classified employees. These employees will not have automobiles or be able to afford taxi fare and transportation to and from work.
4. In view of these considerations it will be necessary for the Agency to operate a regular transportation service between the site and [] at each change of shift.

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